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Hilary, 1st Monday in February to Saturday of ensuing week.
Easter, 3rd Monday in May to Saturday of 2nd week thereafter.

Trinity, 1st Monday in Aug. after 21st of said month to the Saturday of the following week, except when dispensed with in Easter Term.

Michaelmas, 3rd Monday in November to Saturday of 2nd week thereafter.

One Judge of each of the Courts is to sit in open Court every week, as well in as out of term, except during vacation. One Judge may sit for both Courts of Common Law.

County Court Terms are four, commencing respectively on the 1st Monday in January, April, July and October, except in York, when they commence on the 1st Monday in January and April, and the 2nd Monday in June and October in each year, all ending on Saturday of same week.

Surrogate Court Terms commence 1st Monday in January, April, July and October, and ends on same week, except in York, where Terms commence first Monday in January and April, and 2nd Monday in June and October, and end on Tuesday of same week.

Assizes—Twice in each year in every county or union of counties in Ontario, between Hilary and Easter Terms, and between the 21st of August and Michaelmas Term. In the County of York there are two additional Courts, one in the vacation between Easter Term and the 1st of July, and the other in the vacation between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms, and in the County of Wentworth there is one additional between Michaelmas and Hilary Terms.

Sittings of Courts of Assize may be held separate and apart from the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and either on same or different day, and sittings may be held in any County for trial without Jury, whenever directed by the Courts.

County Courts.—Sittings commence on 2nd Tuesday in June and December, except in York, where there are four, commencing respectively on the 1st Tuesday in March and December, and 2nd Tuesday in May and September. Except in York, there shall be sittings for trial, without Jury, on 1st Monday in April and October in each year. In all Counties, Judges may hold such additional Courts as they may deem fit for trial of cases, without Jury.

General Sessions are held at same time as the several County Courts.

The County Judge's Criminal Courts sits from time to time for trial of prisoners out of Sessions and without Jury.

Heir, Devisee and Assignee Commissioners sit on 1st Monday in January and July, and on the 13 days next ensuing the said days respectively, Sundays and Holidays excepted.

Court of Chancery.—A Judge sits in Court almost daily for transaction of business. Hearing and examination of witnesses are at such times and places as are appointed by the Court.

Court of Appeal sits at Toronto five times in every year, commencing on the 2nd Tuesday in January, the 1st Tuesday in March, the 2nd Tuesday in May, the 1st Tuesday in September, and the 2nd Tuesday in November.

Supreme Court sits in Ottawa 3rd Tuesday in February, 1st Tuesday in May, 4th Tuesday in October.

Exchequer Court at any time and place appointed by rule of Court.

Long Vacation from 1st July to 21st August, except in the Court of Appeal, where it ends 31st August.

FIXED AND MOVABLE FESTIVALS, ETC.

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| Epiphany | Jan. 6 |
| Septuagesima Sunday | Feb. 13 |
| Quinquagesima, Shrove Sunday | " 17 |
| St. David | Mar. 1 |
| Ash Wednesday | " 2 |
| Quadragesima, 1st Sunday in Lent | " 6 |
| St. Patrick | " 17 |
| Annunciation, Lady Day | " 25 |
| Palm Sunday | April 10 |
| Good Friday | " 15 |
| Easter Sunday | " 17 |
| St. George | " 23 |
| Low Sunday | " 24 |
| Rogation Sunday | May 22 |
| Queen Victoria's Birthday | " 24 |
| Ascension Day, Holy Thursday | " 26 |
| Pentecost, Whit Sunday | June 5 |
| Trinity Sunday | " 12 |
| Corpus Christi | " 16 |
| Accession of Queen Victoria | " 20 |
| Proclamation of Queen Victoria | " 21 |
| Midsummer Day, St. John Baptist | " 24 |
| Dominion Day | July 1 |
| Michaelmas Day | Sept. 29 |
| Birth of Prince of Wales | Nov. 9 |
| 1st Sunday in Advent | " 27 |
| St. Andrew | " 30 |
| St. Thomas | Dec. 21 |
| Christmas Day | " 25 |

BANK HOLIDAYS.

ONTARIO, NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA.—New Year's Day; Good Friday; Queen's Birthday; Dominion Day; Christmas Day.

QUEBEC.—New Year's Day; Epiphany; Annunciation; Good Friday; Ascension; Corpus Christi; St. Peter's and St. Paul's; All Saints; Conception; Christmas Day; Queen's Birthday, and Dominion Day.

Also throughout the Dominion any day appointed by Proclamation for a General Fast or Thanksgiving.

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For \$25.....1 cent.
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" \$100 and over \$50.....3 "
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For.....\$100 2 cents.
" each fractional part of \$100 2 "

On Drafts or Bills of exchange in more parts than two:—For.....\$100 1 cent.
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LIST OF SUNDAYS IN 1881.

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| January | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 |
| February | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | |
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Another year, with all its hopes and fears,
Has sunk into the deep abyss of time;
And on the threshold of the new we stand,
Like travellers to a strange and distant clime.

Hope smiling beckons, bidding us take courage;
Faith points to heaven where God and angels dwell,
Assuring us that all our untried future
Is known to him who "doeth all things well."

From The Rose of Cherriton

The autumn day was closing, cool and dry;
The sun was setting in a cloudless sky
Flinging around him as he sank to rest,
A crimson glory flushing east and west.
The quiet landscape caught his bright farewell,
Ere the deep shadows of the evening fell.

The gliding river, and the broken sedge,
The pollard willows by the waters edge
Smiled for a moment in the passing gleam
Then sighed the sedge and darken flooded the stream;
While cottage windows flashed into a blaze,
And meadow pathways lay in purple haze;

A sudden glory touched the whirling mill
More crimson glowed the heather on the hill
And starting up beneath the pine wood shade
A moment, stood a golden colonnade;
Then dropped the sun, the vision died away
And twilight followed in her sober grey.

1. SATURDAY. [1-364]

New Year's Day.—Bank Holiday.

It only comes once a year and the cattle have to be fed all the same. So have we + a new year's day dinner too; whether it be beef steak + plum pudding or mutton + mutton brose. Last night + this morning or last year + this year we (that is, Mr. W. Morrison, Eliza, Annie, Belle, Willie + I) were waiting for the last moments of 1880. and as it neared its end we bade it farewell and welcomed the new by singing to gether the # Paraphrase. Father, Eliza + W. Morrison, were at Uncle W. Henderson's. Willie took them up + I took them home. Miss Belle gave me one of E. P. Rice's works, "What could she do, as Xmas box so I have been enjoying it today."

2. SUNDAY. [2-363]

Attended Divine worship in Chalmers Church Meady
The Rev. Mr. Currie preached from the text "Is it well with the
Kings 4 + 26."

3. MONDAY. [3-362]
County Court Term begins.

At Owen Sound with Miss Bella as she is leaving with the morning train for Wabridge to study at the High School there. We had Mr. W. Morrison & Miss Annie along so we had a good time. We visited the new High School of Owen Sound which is a magnificent building having all the latest improvements in ventilation & heating. We inscribed our names on the topmost tower. Expenses. 50¢ - Dinner. 40 for this book \$1 for Tribune for last year. 15¢ for sundries. \$2.05) Evening clear & calm with intense frost.

4. TUESDAY. [4-361]

Fed cattle then took in part of straw stacks for litter for horses. Then hitched up single sleigh and went to Mr. Carr's on Church Business. Evening. Jack & Celi Morrison came up from Bentinck so we went to Uncle Haverson's with sleigh load. Had a very pleasant evening. Got home two hours ago - the wee short hour a part the twall.

5. WEDNESDAY. [5-360]

Took in a barrel of potatoes they are keeping very well. John, William & Celly went home today. Afternoon Pat some more carbolic acid on the cow that has lice. Then splitting wood. This was a very beautiful day such as we would like for winter.

6. THURSDAY. [6-359]
Epiphany.

The Annual Meeting of the Presbyterian Congregation of Keady was held today I being Secretary of Managers had to get books ready. Afternoon at meeting.

Paid James Jackson \$9 for Blacksmith work. horse shoeing amounted to 5.50

7. FRIDAY. [7-358]

For three weeks back I have done no work but chores. Sleigh riding for pleasure & sometimes on business has taken up the time. Well, the bow that is always bent loses it elasticity sometime. One should have a few holidays and better now than in summer time. Today I commenced work. Thrashing peas with horses 3 floors. Evening reading Scott's poems.

8. SATURDAY. [8-357]

Cloudy & cold. Thrashed 2 floors forenoon. After cleaned up, had 13 bus. Willie & I took the pea straw down to old barn for sheep feed. Two loads on sleigh box. Globe & Canada Presbyterians did not come to hand today so we miss them now! A little piece of Scott will do instead.

9. SUNDAY. 1 after Epiphany. [9-356]

At the Keady Presbyterian Church. The Rev Mr. Currie preached from the text Verily I say unto you that one of you shall betray me. Matt 26-21. Jesus said unto him Verily I say unto thee That this night before the cock crow thou shalt deny me three. Matt 26. 34.

1881.—1ST MONTH.

31 DAYS.

JANUARY.

10. MONDAY. [10-355]

Thrashing peas 4 floors took all day along with feeding Cattle. Had a call of Wesley Oliver, got the loan of 3 bags. Evening at the meeting of the Young Peoples Christian Association had a fine meeting. We are to have a debate next night. Subject Resolved that it is proper to have religious meetings at night. I am on the negative side what am I to say.

11. TUESDAY. [11-354]

Preparing logs for a days sawing to Mr. Currie in D. Gilchrist's bush. There were 9 or 10 at the bee got 10 logs on steady way at night. Fine day and a beautiful moonlight night. The Prayer meeting was tonight and a good many were out.

12. WEDNESDAY. [12-353]

Bee again. We did not get much done in forenoon as machine took good while to set. Cut well afternoon and there were plenty of teams so there are only 2 loads in the bush now. Stormy tonight.

13. THURSDAY. [13-352]

Taking in turnips 2 loads, 1 was frozen. They have been frozen ever since the first snow storm, one side of pit. The winter came on so severe and suddenly that they are only covered with straw. There are 6 loads in that pit yet. Afternoon Cleaned up peas that I thrashed on Monday 10 bus. Cleaned up all we have thrashed 8 bags. Will thrash more tomorrow.

14. FRIDAY. [14-351]

Thrashing peas got 3 floors thrashed in forenoon 1 afternoon. Took a load of Amber Bane home from J. Hacks shop he having failed to make it into molasses. Cleaned up 4 bags peas after supper I thrashed 10 bus today. We are going to C. Horns how with 12 bags. Uncle, Aunt & Elie Harrison & Aunt Mary were here today. Very cold day.

15. SATURDAY. [15-350]

At C. Sound got 64¢ per bus + had 30th bus 3rd 15. 75. Market fees 10. Dinner 25. Books + Postage 1.45 = 1.80. Paid A. Foster for boots \$4.40. That's the way the money goes. Take care of the cents & the Dollars will take care of themselves C. H. Rather a cold gray day.

16. SUNDAY. 2 after Epiphany. [16-349]

Attended Divine Service in Presbyterian Church Ready Rev. H. Currie preached from the text For they know not what they do Luke 23 & 34.

JANUARY.—1st MONTH.

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17. MONDAY. [17-345]

Took in wheat straw for bedding horses & other chores. Afternoon thrashed 2 floors of peas. Evening at W.P.C.A. meeting. The debate came off two speakers on each side. The two first speeches were best. The Leaders speak on the negative had all the arguments in it I could think of so I had little to say. Splendid moonlight.

18. TUESDAY. [18-347]

Helping Donald Gilchrist to saw. The machine wrought well and cut a big heap. Father Elsie & Rob were at Uncle Haverson's today they had single sleigh. Fine sunny day.

19. WEDNESDAY. [19-346]

Thrashing Peas 2 floors forenoon. Took little pig to Deven's bar. Thrashed 1 floor after I came home. This morning the bush was all clad with hoar frost, and at sun rise looked well. Strange that its locks should have grown grey in one night; but cold slant ray, soon took it all away.

20. THURSDAY. [20-345]

Thrashed two floors peas they were rather tough to day as there was little frost. Afternoon cleaned up half gavel heap but did not measure into bin as I had to go to Deven's for pig. Had good sleigh ride there & back. Wrote Pt Cathrae Bermuda evening. W. A. Gerolamy left wheel turnip cutter on trial. Price \$20. one year free after that interest at 7 per cent time paid.

21. FRIDAY. [21-344]

Went to Aunt Mary's to draw some wood for her. Yunch George & Cousin Bill were there too. We took home 21 loads. Fine day afternoon rather stormy wind blowing from North East.

22. SATURDAY. [22-343]

Measured peas into bin 18 1/2 bus. Got 1 floor thrashed before dinner. Afternoon took in 2 loads turnips, 1 proper & the other a good load. Stormy day wind still blowing from North East.

23. SUNDAY. 3 after Epiphany. [23-342]

Attended Divine Service in Chalmers Church Ready. The Rev H. Currie preached from the text Thus saith the Lord Stand ye in the ways & see, & ask for the old paths, where is the good way and walk therein and ye shall find rest for your souls. Jeremiah 6 & 16

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31 DAYS.

JANUARY.

24. MONDAY. [24-341]

Thrashing peas & floors took all day. I think I will finish them tomorrow. Very cold day & snow falling scarcely. Evening at Y.P.C.A. had pleasant meeting.

25. TUESDAY. [25-340]

Thrashing peas & floors. There is that many left that I will have to thrash them with the flail & so feel that I cannot thrash them with the horses. So they cannot be a big job now. Blowy day but not so cold as yesterday.

26. WEDNESDAY. [26-339]

Very stormy day. I finished the peas with flail & cleaned up floor. Father & I put them through twice & bagged them up 9 bags or about 23 bushels. We took 17 bus out of bin so as to make a load. Left 10 bus for feed and purpose buying seed. Got notice to pay note of \$49 for cow at Merchants Bank & S. on 31st Jan. The former notice of this days work shows we have been getting ready.

27. THURSDAY. [27-338]

Snowy day all day so it is now getting pretty deep. I measured out (seed) 14 bus & feed for 7 months (28 bus) of wheat lin. There are only 18 bus for sale. Afternoon buttoned some crocks in horse stable & threw off snow off cowstable roof it was very deep & hard. I then put a scuttles by way of partition plate in horse stable. the snow is getting heavy on it too.

28. FRIDAY. [28-337]

Took in potatoes & apples. The apples are keeping well likewise the potatoes. Then split some wood. Afternoon took in 2 loads turnips & threw snow off old stable. The snow is now very deep & the wood is getting covered up so after the 13th Feb I will have lots to do. At Managers meeting tonight woclock & O.S. tomorrow.

29. SATURDAY. [29-336]

Fine day. At Owen Sound with 12 bags peas. Had 30 bus 44 lbs sea at 62¢ per bus \$19.50. Market feed 10¢ Dinner 25¢ Sugar 25¢ Cut Meal \$1 Barrel Salt \$1.30 Spool 5¢ — \$2.85. That the way the money goes. Paid for Maure Fund 3.20. The timber men have been making square timber on back end of 30 acres. 4 clons are made now & some black ash.

30. SUNDAY. 4 after Epiphany. [30-335]

Attended Divine Service in Gilmers Church Ready. The Rev H. Carri preached from the text And they took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus. (Acts 4 & 13.)

JANUARY & FEBRUARY. — 1ST & 2ND MONTHS.

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31. MONDAY. [31-334]

Cleaned up 16 bags of Oats. Hitched up single sleigh & Willie went up for Duncan's kettle as we are to kill Susie & spring pig. G. Henderson came down to give us a hand.

We got on well Susie is good pork & was only up 3 weeks.

Evening at Y.P.C.A. We are to have a debate 2 weeks from tonight. Whether does prosperity or adversity expose a man to the greater evil. I am preparing

1. FEBRUARY—TUESDAY. [32-333]

A Month gone already I was at C.S. today Sold Susie for \$6.50 per 100 lbs weight 328 = \$21.32 Oats 16 bags 52.28 @ 34¢ per bus 17.96. Amount 39.28

Paid at Merchants Bank note on Cherry cow (\$49) which we bought last year at Herdie's sale. Big price but she is the only cow that we have to calve this year. I bought one coming home tonight \$27 from R McFarland.

2. WEDNESDAY. [33-332]

Split wood & took home Duncan's kettle. Afternoon Brought home cow from Robert McFarland. Then took in wheat & straw for bedding to horses.

Fine day no clouds bright sunshine with intense frost the thermometer indicated in the morning 30 degrees below zero. It did not feel as cold as Tuesday morning as there was no wind.

3. THURSDAY. [34-331]

Taking in turnips out of another pit so I was all forenoon shoveling away snow & making a new road. We got in 5 loads afternoon. They were good but those that were along one side of pit that were frozen hard before being covered were rotten. About 2 loads out of the five inches. Pity but such is life.

4. FRIDAY. [35-330]

Thrashing at J. Scarrows had horses this work will pay for use of mowin which we had mowing 7 acres.

Clear frosty day

5. SATURDAY. [36-329]

Thrashing this forenoon at Scarrows. Paid him 87¢ for 84 lbs peas got in Spring. So I am clear with him now. Cherry calved last night had bigger calf roan in colour. Afternoon cleaned up 16 bags oats. Clear frosty day

6. SUNDAY. 5 after Epiphany. [37-328]

Attended Divine Service in Chalmers Church Ready Our Pastor preached from the text I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable, unto God, which is your reasonable service Romans 12th 1st.

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28 DAYS.

FEBRUARY.

7. MONDAY. [38-327]

Went to C. S. market with 16 bags oats. Got 34¢ per bus. Had 53 ³³/₃₄ bus = 18.35. The Oats weigh very well. I think they are the best oats we have had this side the Atlantic. The wheat is down in price only 75 for fall wheat today. So we have lost by taking the Feb price on fall wheat at 20¢ for seed. W. Maxwell paid his wheat 16 ⁴⁴/₆₀ bus \$13.42. Paid his Father balance on sawing \$375. Spent 45¢ Fine day

8. TUESDAY. [39-326]

Filled up 10 bags Oats to repay John Barber for 28 ²⁷/₃₄ bus got in fall. for feed. Took them up got home after dinner. Afternoon I cleaned up 15 bags Oats & feed cattle. W. C. Liver paid fall wheat \$12.19. Today has been soft & rainy the first soft day since the winter began. The snow has gone down a good deal today

9. WEDNESDAY. [40-325]

Got my hair dressed this morning we then cleaned up another bag of Oats and dressed skillets for chop. Afternoon at bush put down one tree and cut it up 4 foot lengths split & piled except 2 blocks. Thaw all day the snow is sinking fast. It has been raining since 4 P.M. & is still raining at prayer meeting evening

10. THURSDAY. [41-324]

The thaw still continues so there is no getting a horse on the roads. I had to take pig back to Devins on foot this forenoon. Afternoon split some wood. Charles Bains called to assess property amount of assessment \$1700. \$15 less than last year. The snow has disappeared rapidly patches of bare ground to be seen here & there.

11. FRIDAY. [42-323]

Took in potatoes & apples they are both keeping well. I then covered turnips pits with snow where it was thawed off. Afternoon made road from barn to gate fit for team to walk on it was so high and narrow that I could not take a load down. This morning was frosty but through the day very mild so the roads are rather soft yet. I wonder if I can get to town tomorrow.

12. SATURDAY. [43-322]

Willie and I were in bush sawing firewood. cut 4 blocks forenoon. Afternoon we cut 2 logs of the 7 that were left on skid way of last springs sawing. We cut 18 blocks & we split & piled. This was a soft rainy forenoon got colder & harder afternoon. John Hall paid fall wheat 6.18 J. Douglas paid also 13.70

13. SUNDAY. [44-321]

Septuagesima.

Attended a prayer meeting in Presbyterian Church. Haddy our minister being absent assisting Mr. Blain Tara. the Elders conducted the service.

14. MONDAY. [45-320]
St. Valentine.

Frosty morning & roads hard so I went to C. Sound Market with load of Oats 16 bags 52³³/₃₄ bushels @ 34¢ = \$18.01. Expenses 85¢. From here to Shagen road the road was very high & narrow but the sleigh kept on very well. Evening at Y.P.C.A. Had fine meeting. The debate was very well handled & showed a marked in improvement. Splendid moonlit night with foreboding circle round the moon.

15. TUESDAY. [46-319]

Got all hands up at 4 o'clock and cleaned up 8 bags Oats & 7 bags wheat. Got away with load a little past 8 o'clock. Had 26³⁷/₃₇ bus. Oats @ 34¢ = \$8.89. Wheat 16²⁰/₂₀ bus @ 1.07 = \$17.49. Amount 26.38 Transmitted by draft on Merchants Bank \$107. part of installment on farm balance in S. made. Expenses & sundries 85¢. Got whip from R. Robertson payment made by bringing out goods. Fine day & C. Sound was pretty lively.

16. WEDNESDAY. [47-318]

Took in remainder of straw stack into driving shed for bedding horses. Afternoon went to back end of 50 acres to see the measuring of square timber by caller. The lumbermen went on to our lot without permission & cut 11 or 12 sticks. Money is to be forwarded by post as there were 2 sticks hauled away which they were to measure on their way home. Evening went to see Mr. Sackman & family.

17. THURSDAY. [48-317]

Went out Father & I to the 2nd Con. Arran to a Crotchet Auction Sale bought heifer in calf \$31 & small yearling heifer at \$11.50. Big prices but with health may pay. Got them home at 3 o'clock. The heifer calves 1st May or 1st June rather late. Father brought home horses. Cold day.

18. FRIDAY. [49-316]

Thrashing at J. Duncans. Fine day. Had a little more snow which will improve sleighing.

19. SATURDAY. [50-315]

Took in 3 loads turnips 2nd loads were rotten great pity but such is life, or such is the effects of frost.

Fine clear day

The war fought of Robert McFarland calved to night. Bull calf.

20. SUNDAY. [51-314]
Sexagesima.

Attended Service in Presbyterian Church Ready. The Rev. H. Currie preached from the text. Not by might nor by power but by my spirit with the Lord of hosts. Zechariah 4th & 6th.

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FEBRUARY.

21. MONDAY. [52-313]

Father & I had a good sleigh ride to O.S. today. Paid \$2 for fixing Father's watch. 30¢ for bookkeeping books for Willie. 65¢ for tea. \$30 to R. McFarland \$27 for cows \$5 for 25 was line. Received for 10 pieces of square timber sold to McArthur Bros. & later of far end of 50 acre lot \$15.55. Spent today \$33.45 Pleasant sunny day \$10

22. TUESDAY. [53-312]

Cleaned up 4 bags grist & 9 bags chop. Then I split all the wood we have left in afternoon Soft day but I think will freeze. Paid G Henderson \$9 for thrashing our crop. Cheap thrashing.

23. WEDNESDAY. [54-311]

Cold morning. Took load to Mill On my way bought 13 bus peas @ 62¢ per bus - \$8. Paid Besorby 9¢ of interest on gang plough sold him 82 lbs old iron @ 1¢ per lb 82¢ bought new gang plough head 1.25 - balance 4.34 Paid. Paid ~~...~~ \$68. Bought 1 lb sulphur 1/4 \$ 1/2 oz Biriside of Mercury 15 - 25¢ - \$78.40 Got home at 11 o'clock had to wait on grist

24. THURSDAY. [55-310]

Intense frost this morning. I emptied chop and cleaned bags and hung them up. Then split wood. Afternoon Took down scaffold which was under straw carriers at thrashing and fixed up sleigh to go out to Tara tonight to evening meeting in Pres. Church. Had a very pleasant meeting Mr. Tom's was very pointed & clear Subject The Broad & the narrow way. Cold day

25. FRIDAY. [56-309]

Did some little jobs. Then went to D. Adams sale. Things went very dear some being priced by the whiskey pail which was handed round so that all who wished might dip & drink. 2 Calves were sold one went at \$22 the other at \$15. Nicolas Henderson & Henderson were at sale, had tea with us on their way home. Clear sunny day

26. SATURDAY. [57-308]

Took in part of old stack, ^{the} down some straw to Mr. Currie & some to Mrs. Helsh. ^{out of barn} Afternoon took down load pea straw to sheep, and went 3 times to the bush to break road Took a little load of wood each time. Little soft today and appearance of another thaw

27. SUNDAY. [58-307]

Quinquagesima—Shrove Sunday.

Attended divine service in Chalmers Church Really The Rev. H. Currie preached from the text For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of but the sorrow of the world worketh death II Corin. 7 & 10

FEBRUARY & MARCH.—2ND & 3rd MONTHS.

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28. MONDAY. [59-306]

Took in 5 loads of turnips left 4 loads behind
 We have just the pit across the creek now & the mangolds.
 Splitting wood evening. Pleasant forenoon but is now very cold
 Had pleasant and profitable Y.P.C.A. meeting tonight

1. MARCH—TUESDAY. [60-305]

St. David's Day.

Split all the wood that is at home this forenoon
 Afternoon chopping cord wood in bush got on well.
 Very cold day. At Managah's meeting evening.
 And this is the 1st of March well it is getting like spring
 but we have quite a lot of snow yet & cold weather

2. ASH-WEDNESDAY. [61-304]

Chopping cord wood in bush all day
 Put down 2 trees cut and split & piled 12
 Cold day Snowing a little forenoon.

3. THURSDAY. [62-303]

Chopping cord wood & ground axe before I went
 away. Afternoon hitched up and drove home all the wood I
 had cut about 2 1/2 cords. Got on well in bush. Evening I went
 up to Devins but did not bring home pig. Bother the pigs I say.
 Very stormy tonight. high wind from south east with snow & drift

4. FRIDAY. [63-302]

I was at a Bee today sawing wood for Mr.
 Carie. We put down the trees and cut them up with crosscut
 saws. I & C. McArthur cut up 5 trees 2 had notches cut. I never wrought
 a saw that cut so fast before. I suppose we cut over 5 cords.
 If we had a good saw we would soon put up a years wood
 as I did not think it possible for a saw to cut so fast. Soft snow

5. SATURDAY. [64-301]

At Blacksmiths shop getting horses shod
 sharp. This is the first time they have been shod this year
 Then made a rack for sligh to stack hay to C.S.
 Evening at Devins for pig. I also opened a door into barn
 out of passage of horse stable. to get at hay in barn
 Raw cold day wind from North East

6. SUNDAY. 1 in Lent. [65-300]

Quadragesima.

Attended divine service in our own Church
 Our Pastor preached from the text And behold the
 veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the
 bottom. Matt 27:51.

Bright sunny day

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7. MONDAY. [66-299]

Finished hay rack. & selected some boards to make door to put on between feed passage of horse stable & barn. Afternoon Willie & I went to bush for pole to bind on hay then put on load of hay out of old barn.

Evening at Association had pleasant meeting. Bible lessons just now are in the Book of Daniel & are exceedingly interesting.

8. TUESDAY. [67-298]

At C. Sound with load of hay had Jan & Prince. Got on well roads rather bare near C.S. I had 2120 lbs hay (high weight 810 lbs) sold at 7.75 per ton but buyer pays 25¢ for weighing & M. Fees so I had \$8 per ton in reality = \$8.21½. Paid J. Fuggell for tools \$7. Bought Improved Diamond saw at 90¢ per foot 6 feet long \$5.40 Paid \$4 Dinner 20.

9. WEDNESDAY. [68-297]

Went up to Aunt Mary's for Calf (a red heifer week old) Got home at noon. John Morrison came up here yesterday to help us cut some wood. Sawing wood in bush afternoon got on well. Saw cut pretty well rather wide set I think. Bright sunny day.

10. THURSDAY. [69-296]

Sawing wood till 4 o'clock afternoon then hitched up & went out to Tara to Evangelistic Meeting. They have had meetings every night for two weeks & will have for another week yet. Cold night & roads rather bare.

11. FRIDAY. [70-295]

Got saw sharpened at Keady this morning and it is supposed to be rather soft in temper.

We cut up a maple tree today split & piled it 2 cords. and made axe handle. at noon.

Evenings I have been preparing speech for debate of which I have been appointed leader of affirmatives. Resolved that real evils are more production of misery to man than imaginary ones.

12. SATURDAY. [71-294]

Sawing wood all day. Cut up large maple cords. Made axe handle in the morning & pit it in axe.

Broke another handle tonight & made another evening. We cannot find very good handle timber that is one reason why they break so readily. Snowing tonight.

13. SUNDAY. 2 in Lent. [72-293]

Attended our own Church Keady the Pastor Rev H. Currie preached from the text God be merciful to me a sinner Luke 18:13

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14. MONDAY. [73-292]

I finished axe handle and put it in axe
Sawing in bush afterwards. Got a good bit cut today.

Evening at Y.P.C.A. had pleasant meeting. Affirmative side
gain in the debate. Two of the speakers on this side were absent
however. Debate for next month Resolved that Woman has more
influence for good than Man. Good subject.

15. TUESDAY. [74-291]

I was sawing wood at W. Oliver's today as he has been
sick for some time had a very good day.
Willie took John Morrison down to Tealbody on his logy horse
The snow has gone away considerably today so that the
slipping is almost gone.

16. WEDNESDAY. [75-290]

Chopping notches in firewood logs. Willie & I sawed
an hour before night after school time.
Pleasant day

17. THURSDAY. [76-289]

St. Patrick's Day.

Chopping all day. I have a lot of logs
ready for sawing. Foggy morning & forenoon
Afternoon clear sunshine so the snow is wearing away fast
The sleighing is clean worn out now & I hope we may have
ploughing weather soon.

18. FRIDAY. [77-288]

Took in 3 loads turnips from pit across creek. They are
keeping pretty well a few in bottom of pit are rotten with water as the
land is so flat & last thaws water has not run off. Only a little bit
of pit will be wet any way. I was chopping afternoon. Father was at
Sinclair's sale bought heifer in calf for \$15.25. I was at Uncle W's evening. \$14

19. SATURDAY. [78-287]

Frosty morning hitched up Prince & Brisk
& drew home wood 3 loads in forenoon got on well & 4 loads afternoon
Began to snow at dinner time then turned to rain so I was pretty
wet by the last load. I think we have 10 cords at home now which
will keep us going awhile. Rained all afternoon and is still raining
so I am glad there is so much wood at the door.

20. SUNDAY. 3 in Lent. [79-286]

Attended Divine service in Presbyterian Church
Leady. The Pastor Rev H. Currie preached from the text
For without me ye can do nothing John 15:5

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21. MONDAY. [80-285]

Brought home the heifer Father bought. Then took in barrel potatoes, & shifted peas straw off hay as we are feeding horses ^{out} of frame barn. Afternoon Sharpened saw it was my first attempt so it took a good while to get over it, then sawing in bush cut over a cord. Evening at Y.P.C.A. Spent 4 pages of the Rose of Sharon D. Carr will read next night. (Debate.) I am on the negative side

22. TUESDAY. [81-284]

Set the saw, fixed stove pipes & one & a thousand things besides. Afternoon Sawing cut a good bit

We have got a slight coat of new snow & it has been pretty cold today so I think we may get some more snow tomorrow. Tomorrow never comes does it?

23. WEDNESDAY. [82-283]

Drawing home wood & loads pretty fair sleighing between bush & here. We have now 15 cords at the least at home now, which I think ought to bring us to the snow. Afternoon Sawing in bush got on well. We are making the bush quite thin & piling brush of every tree we cut so it is a little like a fallow now.

24. THURSDAY. [83-282]

Sawing & chopping all day. We had a fine beech tree just off the stump at dinner time. Afternoon we notched him up & took off 24 blocks of splendid splitting wood. Put down another tree & took off 2 blocks in trimmings. Sunny afternoon. Snow going slowly

25. FRIDAY. [84-281]

Annunciation—Lady Day.

Sawing & chopping all day. Cut up 2 beeches & part of a small maple. Sunshine all day but very cold north wind. Made an axe handle evening

26. SATURDAY [85-280]

Cold morning. Put handle into axe & opened turnip pit & took in 5 small loads of good turnips. Afternoon Ground 3 axes split Sunday wood & made another handle for old splitting axe

Had a long letter from T. Cathrae. Bermuda today. Cold north wind

27. SUNDAY. 4 in Lent. [86-279]

Attended Divine service in Presbyterian Church today. The Pastor Rev. H. Corwin preached from the text "So go work today in my vineyard" Matt 21st & 28th.

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28. MONDAY. [87-276]

Cutting firewood. Put down a buck had 24 blocks in it. 1 small maple that was put down by fire also a maple stub 2 ft through at but a splendid log. Got some notches cut it it before night. This forenoon G. Henderson got 8 bags black oats changed for 8 bags white for seed. Clear & cold

29. TUESDAY. [88-277]

Sawing at John Duncans he had a day of sawing machine & has got 50 cords or more cut to day. I was taking blocks from saw forenoon afternoon splitting. Cold day with appearance of change

30. WEDNESDAY. [89-278]

Sawing at home got our maple stub cut up, I suppose we had about 2 cords. Put down a big buck, evening. Cold north east wind. I wish the cold weather were past for it has been so long cold.

31. THURSDAY. [90-279]

I was at a log raising today. W. Maxwell has rented John McHabs 100 acres & has let put up a house first thing so we got it raised today. 16 x 20 feet. Had a pleasant evening at Mr. Hays on my way home. Cold day & looks like snow.

1. APRIL—FRIDAY. [91-274]

I was assisting Mr. Hays to saw as he had a days saw with machine at home. He got over 50 cords cut. Very cold day had slight shower of snow.

2. SATURDAY. [92-273]

Sawing wood in bush. cut off 21 big blocks of buck in forenoon. Split & pile ^{them} and chopped down another tree & fished a lot of brush heaps & cut off 6 blocks evening. Still very cold keen frost. I have been on 3 days at home this week. How quietly it has passed.

3. SUNDAY. 5 in Lent. [93-272]

Attended divine service in Presbyterian Church Heady. The Pastor Rev H. Carri preached from the text. Come see the place where the Lord lay Matt 28th 6th

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APRIL.

4. MONDAY. [94-271]
County Court Term begins.

Sawing & chopping all day. We have now a good bit of wood cut & quite a fallow chopped. Uncle ^{Wm} Haverson & Mr Thom Evangelist came here forenoon on a visit. We had them at our Association in the evening. Mr Thom gave us a pointed & practical address.

5. TUESDAY. [95-270]

Cold & snowing a little. Took in 2 loads turnips. I was frozen by last cold weather that is on one side of pit which had only straw on it. At 11 o'clock it began to blow & drift so thick that one could not see 4 rods. Had quite a fall of snow after sunset. For some genial pleasant weather.

6. WEDNESDAY. [96-268]

Our visitors left this morning it being so stormy yesterday they could not start home. I ploughed & plained door to go on between barn & horses stable, & a lot of other chores.

The storm is over & the country side is white once more. Cold & cloudy so the snow did not go away much.

7. THURSDAY. [97-264]

Put door together & hung it hinges cost at Keedy 10¢. Screws 5¢ - 13¢. After noon took in 3 loads turnips & one ^{load} ^{of} ^{wood} got out below snow which were not gather last fall some were fresh & good others were rotten. We may get some more when snow drift melts away more. Frosty to night. ½ past 10. P.M.

8. FRIDAY. [98-267]

Shifted one side of the lane so as to fence one side of rod field below barn. Afternoon cut 15 poles in bush across creek to fence the new watering place on creek below barn. & 19 in bush on this side creek for fence between here & Keedy. So we got a good days work done. Bright sunny day.

9. SATURDAY. [99-266]

Drew out all the poles across creek & gathered the 19 in other bush. Afternoon fixed cattle then dressed myself & got Hasley saddle and went up to Uncle Haversons to attend Task church tomorrow. Fine clear afternoon.

10. PALM-SUNDAY. [100-265]

For the past six weeks there have been evangelistic services in connection with the Presbyterian & Methodist Congregations of Tara conducted by Mr. G. Thom & today the meetings were brought to a close by both Con- sisting down together at the Lords table. The Rev. Mr. Galloway preached, from the text And Enoch walked with God. The Evening service was conducted by Mr. Thom who spoke on the leading truths of the 13th 14th 15th & 16th Ch. of St John & Mr. Carvis text today was Psalm 85 & 6.

11. MONDAY. [101-264]

Came home from Uncle Haversons. & hitched up sleigh and drew 19 poles from bush to fence. Afternoon took harrows to blacksmiths shop to get sharpened. & plough to get a small mould board on in place of coaltar to pare off the grass & throw it into furrow, ^{so as to get it covered} to prevent it growing up between the furrows. Splitting wood remainder of afternoon. There have been circles round the sun & moon for days & night past so I suppose we will have rain or snow.

12. TUESDAY. [102-263]

Took whole day at board fence & got on all the boards (except the one that goes on top of posts) as far as we had posts in. The bottom board is 1 foot 1st space 4 inches 2nd board 8 in. 2nd space 21 in filled by 6 in boards crossed these ends however not filling the space by 2 in 1 below 6 in one above. Then topmost board 6 in. Cold day circle round the sun tonight but no storm yet.

13. WEDNESDAY. [103-262]

Took in 3 loads of turnips out of pit & 1 off field that was left in fall. Then took up small load of hay from log barn to new barn for feeders. Cleaned 2 bags of oat evening 4 bags of oats chopp. Drew turnips with waygon which was the first work with it for the season.

14. THURSDAY. [104-261]

At Sara Mill with oat. Called at Uncle W's. for 2 1/2 bus peas @ 69 per bus. to mix with chopp. Got new collar back band & hook horns (so that we might hitch up one horse.) for \$6 & old collars faced \$2. Bought all our seeds today. 25 lb red clover @ 94¢ \$2.29 for 1 1/2 acres 1 lb of Alcock's Clover 16¢. 8 lbs turnip seed @ 15¢ \$1.24 1 lb Mang. W. 30¢ 2 oz Cast 8¢ 3 Packs of garden seeds 13¢ — \$4.42

15. GOOD FRIDAY. [105-260]

Shifted fence along side of fallow so as to straighten it & take a piece off fallow which was not bad with stamps. Afternoon went to Mr. Sim's for 13 bus seed peas. Fair roads. Pretty cold evening. Jack, Nell Elsie & George Haverson were down spending the evening.

16. SATURDAY. [106-259]

Fixed fence at new waterings directly below barn & made long whiffel tree for Mare.

Afternoon Took away Nelly cow to Cochrane's Bull. Cool evening

17. EASTER SUNDAY. [107-258]

Attended Divine worship in Presbyterian Church Ready the Rev. A. Currie preached from the text Call unto me and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not Jeremiah

18. MONDAY. [108-257]

Took in all the turnips & loads we put them into mow in barn, as we do not expect frost to hurt them now. Afternoon Put on a load of hay to take to Owen Sound tomorrow. Got it on all right & drew it out into yard. It will freeze tonight.

19. TUESDAY. [109-256]

At C. Sound had very good roads dry & hard as summer. Had 17.50 sold at \$8 per ton = \$7.00
Bought plough, reins 40¢ Oat meal \$1. Duck 6 yds at 25¢ per yd. = \$1.50 Spool 13¢ Weighing load + M.F. 22¢ \$3.25
Got \$5 on hay + 2 to yd. \$1.75 on hand

20. WEDNESDAY. [110-255]

Got iron on to long whiffletree & started to plough a piece of sod beside new orchard for garden ground as it is sandy soil & so preferable to this piece beside the house. Started in sod field near barn at 10 o'clock it does not plough well as there has been no rain & it is loose on the top & dry. Willie harrowed garden ground afternoon for the first with third horse.

21. THURSDAY. [111-254]

Ploughing all day & have now a good piece turned over the horse walk so fast being the first. Willie had Cherry cow at Cochran's Bull today. Had a call of two cattle buyers & offered cows at \$115. They said would we give back \$10. No. Father was sowing clover on fall wheat today. I hope we may have rain soon. Clear tonight again

22. FRIDAY. [112-253]

Ploughing sod all day getting over it pretty well. Fine dry day Willie was building fences.

23. SATURDAY. [113-252]

St. George's Day.

Ploughing Ploughing Ploughing all day, all day, from morn till night with the wee intervals of eating time. A day & 1/2 will finish field now. Dry & warm.

24. LOW-SUNDAY. 1 after Easter. [114-251]

Attended Divine service in Presbyterian Church. Ready the Rev H. Currie preached from the text which shall know every man the plague of his own heart. I Kings 8th 38th

25. MONDAY. [115-250]

Started to plough came on rain at 7 o'clock so Willie & I washed that part of harness we use when ploughing & oiled it. Faint at 10 o'clock so I oiled what we had washed and got to plough again at 1:30 P.M.
Raining hard at bed time

26. TUESDAY. [116-249]

Had a lot of rain last night & it began to rain at 7 o'clock again & rained heavy till past ten. We were cleaning oats in barn. Afternoon had a lively time ploughing till night & an hour will finish it now

27. WEDNESDAY. [117-248]

Finished sod field then ploughing across creeks in turnip land. Got it land done. Had quite a shower after supper but ploughed all the time. Father saved 2½ bags of peas on sod and Willie harrowed with Fan.

28. THURSDAY. [118-247]

Rains raised our assessment \$150 today. Looked out 3 bags peas & Father sowed that & 14 bags of oats which finished field. I was harrowing all day. Rather raw in morning but land soft as the water springs out at foot of hill. I have rather more than 5 of it finished tonight. Looks like rain but I think may keep off. Some attention is to put in pool of board fence for 2¢ per foot

29. FRIDAY. [119-246]

Cool morning & looks to be dry so I left the harrowing as it will be dryer tomorrow. Ploughing turnip land all day turned over a good piece. Willie was drawing stones to watering place as it is rather soft.
Cold day to be 29 April.

30. SATURDAY. [120-245]

Ploughing turnip land forenoon then finished harrowing of field below barn. It looks well now. Evening ploughing turnip land, a few hours will finish cleaned land now. Willie was hauling stones with mace to watering place.

1. MAY—SUNDAY. 2 after Easter. [121-244]

Attended divine service in Presbyterian Church. Ready our Pastor preached from the text. Go through the midst of the city through the midst of Jerusalem & set the mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof Ezekiel 9:4.

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2. MONDAY. [122-243]

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Fine fresh morning. Finished ploughing cleaned land and started pea stubble that was not ploughed for fall wheat. Afternoon cleaned 3 bags plus wheat & Father sowed turnip land. Willie went for road scraper so I was scraping with Fan all the muck on end land into hollows in field. Willie was harrowing while I was scraping. Wilkinson saw fat cows offered 4 1/4 per lb. did not sell.

3. TUESDAY. [123-242]

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Willie was harrowing forenoon & made it ready for grass seeds. I was building gaps and straightening up fences as the cattle are to get back through fields today. Afternoon I was ploughing pea stubble. Father sowing grass seeds Willie harrowing with Fan, they got 1/2 through with field. Wilkinson sent out word with Uncle Henderson that he would take cows at 4 1/2 per lb. To be delivered on Friday morning.

4. WEDNESDAY. [124-241]

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Finished ploughing pea stubble & Father & Willie finished grass seeds & harrowing. Afternoon at W. Henderson for 1 bus barley at 85 per bus. Got home at 1/2 past 2 then away to H. Oliver's raising which went on well. Father & Willie sowed & harrowed barley. Cool day. Ann got \$2 from W. Watson being balance on hay.

5. THURSDAY. [125-240]

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Put new head in gang plough cleaned 2 bags seed wheat & sowed 2 1/2 acres which was fall wheat - winter killed. I ganged it in. Warm afternoon & looks like rain. Had a call of Mr. L. Thom who is visiting the home boys in this neighborhood. John Atchison has commenced to dig pot holes.

6. FRIDAY. [126-239]

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Got up at 1/2 past 3 o'clock & got away with cows at 5. We had a good shower during the night so the morning was cool and the road in good condition for cattle feet. Got in at 11 o'clock. They weighed 2100 at 4 1/2 per 100 \$ 94.30. Brought home order on Merchants Bank in favour of J. H. Mason for \$100. Expenses 35¢

7. SATURDAY. [127-238]

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Ploughing the piece of new land where Amber Cane & turnips were. Evening took Dully back to Bull again. Rather a long walk after supper 8 miles. Willie picked stones off new land then went up to Uncle Williams with 1 1/2 bus Lost Nation wheat on mares back and got the same amount of White Russians in exchange for new land.

8. SUNDAY. 3 after Easter. [128-237]

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At our own Church today Mr. Currie preached from the text. If it bear fruit well and if not then after that thou shalt cut it down. Luke 13 7-9.

9. MONDAY. [129-236]

Finished ploughing new land & struck out 2 lands where fall wheat was last year. Father sowed new land with wheat & Willie harrowed. Afternoon sowing Oats or knolls I was ganging in. Came a shower so we came home & shifted stove to back kitchen. Evening ganging got all done Father had sowed. Willie was twice over new land. Chury cow was at Bull again this morning

10. TUESDAY. [130-235]

Sowing Oats. I got them all ganged in by noon Willie finished new land. Picked some stones then ploughing for Oats. Willie harrowed gang ploughing across. Had a few slight showers today & the bush is getting green rapidly. J. Atchison has got in a lot of post today. We are getting warm weather now, so things are growing fast the peas & Oats are up.

11. WEDNESDAY. [131-234]

Ploughing fall wheat stubble for oats got a good piece turned over. Willie was picking stones and burning rubbish on the foundation of old fence. He had Prince at Blacksmiths Shop evening. J. Atchison has finished the posts. He got 54 lbs flour home with him tonight. It has been very warm ^{today} tonight

12. THURSDAY. [132-233]

Ploughing all day. Willie was picking stones & put in gate post and laid up iron of fence. Tom Atchison was here giving us 2 day. He fixed bush fence at bever meadow and dug 2 gate post holes at gap into turnip field. We got in one post before dinner & hung gate at dinner time. Father & Willie put in other post & fixed up fence. Cooler tonight. Very warm forenoon.

13. FRIDAY. [133-232]

Ploughing Ploughing Ploughing Willie was picking a few stones. Afternoon building fence. Today has been nice & cool. North wind. The bush is leafing out fast we cannot see through it now. I am afraid we will have to plough up fall wheat yet it is very thin all of it.

14. SATURDAY. [134-231]

Ploughing Ploughing Ploughing Father & Willie finished fence between grass in new fallow & where I am ploughing. Evening had thunder storm and fine rain which will refresh the thirsty ground. Saturday night the best of all the week. Rest for the week

15. SUNDAY. 4 after Easter. [135-230]

Attended our on Church Mr. Carri preached from the text We then go workers together with him beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain II Cor. 6th vs

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16. MONDAY. [136-229]
Easter Term begins.

Ploughing all day and it will take tomorrow forenoon to finish. This field has taken nearly a week ploughing. I wonder how many acres there are in it. It being partly new land and that, stony, took more time. Willie was gathering roots afternoon harrowing. Father sowed 3 beys Oats. Cool day. Pleasant working. Our seeding would have been done with this field had the fellow had been good. Such is life what has been will be.

17. TUESDAY. [137-228]

Finished ploughing in the forenoon. Afternoon Willie was harrowing with the team & I was stoning with Fan. Father finished ^{sowing} an hour after dinner. Evening Fan was at the blacksmiths shop as she was lame. I was stoning with the team. Cool north east wind.

18. WEDNESDAY. [138-227]

Willie was harrowing & I was stoning with Fan. Evening Willie finished harrowing with Fan. I started to plough 3 acres across creek among the stumps which was sown to fall wheat but was winter killed. Been cool today but warm evening.

19. THURSDAY. [139-226]

Father was sowing oats on clear land across creek which was sown to fall wheat but was winter killed. I was gang ploughing them in Willie was harrowing behind me & Father was sowing grass seeds behind him. Got through a little before sunset then at J.K. Halls farewell party. He is leaving for the state of Iowa.

20. FRIDAY. [140-225]

Gang ploughing oats in on winter killed fall wheat beside barn. Father sowed grass seeds & Willie harrowed piece across creek second time then harrowed in grass seeds beside barn. At 2 o'clock I got loan of Bains roller & rolled spring wheat & oats across creek before night. which was one good job done.

21. SATURDAY. [141-224]

Rolled piece are sowed to oats beside barn then the field which is 2 barley & spring wheat. Then afternoon rolled the knolls & clear part of field which was sown beginning of week, & took home roller. Willie & Father took in potatoes into barn we have a good waggon load. They kept very well.

22. ROGATION SUNDAY. [142-223]

Attended our own Church our Pastor preached from the text, I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly. John 10th. 10th.

MAY.—5TH MONTH.

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23. MONDAY. [143-222]

Ploughing stumpy part of field across creek the ground is dry & hard now I got a good piece turned over. Willie was picking stones in grass field out of the way of mower. Very hot day.

24. TUESDAY. [144-221]

Queen's Birthday—Born 1819—Bank Holiday.

The 24th of May Ploughing across creek till supper time then I had holiday. Very warm day few rigs on the road today to be the 9th. There were two weddings in this neighbourhood today.

25. WEDNESDAY. [145-220]

Finished ploughing across creek in forenoon Willie took over seed & harrows & took off stumps. Afternoon I took two-year-old heifer to bull. Willie was harrowing Father's sowing. Evening lit 4 heaps in fallow near R. McLeod's fence. They burned gloriously sparks rising 70 feet.

26. THURSDAY. [146-219]

Ascension Day—Holy Thursday.

Willie was harrowing forenoon I was at fire & gathering out sticks & stumps from fence. Afternoon fired $\frac{2}{3}$ of south end of fallow had fine fair breeze and good burn there being so much old stuff in it. Burning 4 perches of R. McLeod's old fence was the only mischief done. Hope we may get the other end burned soon. Got home to bed at 9 o'clock.

27. FRIDAY. [147-218]

Father finished sowing grass seeds & Willie finished harrowing at 10 o'clock. I darned up creeps & made good place to wash sheep in & got them washed by 12 o'clock. Afternoon gathered stones on turnip land & gave ploughing after supper. I was building fence at fire. Evening slight shower at 4 o'clock the chumbe is brooming now so we expect more.

28. SATURDAY. [148-217]

Rainy morning. Hitched up waygon & took 24 rails to build gap burned by fire in fallow. Willie went to garage place & I went to blacksmith's shop with fan got 36¢ worth of pine lumber from him for a gate. Afternoon making gate Willie dumped out calves. Evening he was gang ploughing turnip land. We have had a splendid rain last night & today so everything is greatly refreshed.

29. SUNDAY. [149-216]

1 after Ascension. Attended Divine Service in the Presbyterian Church ready the Pastor Rev. H. Currie preached from the text Thus saith the Lord Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom neither let the mighty man glory in his might let not the rich man glory in his riches Jeremiah 9th & 23rd.

1881.

31 & 30 DAYS.

MAY & JUNE.

30. MONDAY. [150-215]

Willie gang ploughed all the remainder of turnip land today & I gathered all the stones in forenoon with Saw. Afternoon made gate awhile then clipped 2 sheep before supper & 4 after. Very pleasant day cool & dry

31. TUESDAY. [151-214]

Harrowing turnip land I finished clipping sheep 4. Afternoon ploughed knolls alongside board fence then scraped them into hollows & made it level, which improves the appearance greatly & will facilitate the putting on of the boards likewise. Pleasant day with few drops of rain. Got on a load of hay for Curran & son tomorrow.

1. JUNE—WEDNESDAY. [152-213]

Draw out load of hay out of barn & finished it as barn door is too low to let out a full load. Got away a 7 o'clock. had fine cool day. but no demand for hay. Gave it to W. Watson at 7 per ton had on 21.00 = 7.35 Market for 20¢ 1 lb pressed nails & a few copper nails 10¢ 30¢

2. THURSDAY. [153-212]

Clearing the potato land of stumps weeds & stones. Afternoon ploughed it. Evening Willie was harrowing I was scraping & leveling alongside of board fence got finished. Father & Ann have been cutting seed potatoes to day. It was pretty cool last night, but is warm to night & looks as though we would have a shower.

3. FRIDAY. [154-211]

Finished ploughing potato land harrowed it & took off stones also opened two first furrows for potatoes. Afternoon had slight shower wrought awhile at a gate. then started to draw out dung for potatoes. Got out 8 loads by night.

4. SATURDAY. [155-210]
Easter Term ends.

Planting potatoes 23 drills & 4 for carrots. We required 1 1/2 loads more manure. Got through at suppertime. Then harrowing & gathering stones, on turnip land

5. WHIT-SUNDAY. [156-209]
Pentecost.

The Rev Mr. Blain of Tara assisted Mr Curran to dispense the sacrament at Peabody on the forenoon of today & preached for us in the evening at 6.30. Text For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ for it is the power of God unto salvation unto every one that believeth, to the Jew first & also to the Greek. Romans 1st & 16th.

6. MONDAY. [157-206]

We had a very severe frost last night. The potatoes & beans + tomatoes are badly blackened + the clover hangs its head. We were at board fence today got on all the boards we had + lack about 30 six inch. boards, however it is cattle + pig proof, which is a great matter in the meantime. Evening drew the rails which board fence set free + put them on old rail fence between here + heady which makes it a better fence than it has been since we saw it. This was a big days work.

7. TUESDAY. [158-207]

Took off weeds off one land then ploughed + drilled it. Measured 14 drills 4 loads manure + covered in at night. This is to be sown with Mangold Wurzel tomorrow if all well. They are alongside potatoes. Father sowed 3 drills Carrots today. That we drilled today is good soil + splendid mould + I hope we will have some good mangolds. Like rain.

8. WEDNESDAY. [159-208]

Got out roller or turnip ^{row} machine rather and rolled + ground drills Father Ann + Willie dropped seed so we had the mangels sown by 10 o'clock. Then I was ploughing afternoon at Bill Scarrow's raising a 50 x 60 barn. Willie was gathering stones. No rain cold + dry.

9. THURSDAY. [160-209]

Willie was at C.S. with Prince + light waggon had the wool along. 4 fleeces 34 lbs. 29¢ for 26 lbs. I was ploughing with Jan + Brisk stoning and stumping afternoon. Ploughing evening. No rain yet cold + dry.

10. FRIDAY. [161-204]

Ploughing forenoon. Father + Willie digging stumps + stones. I was taking them off afternoon. Evening ploughing with mare as Willie was away to mill with 2 bags grit + staying at Uncle Hoverson's all night. Looks to be dry + we had frost again last night ^{to date}.

11. SATURDAY. [162-203]

Harrowing forenoon pretty good mould about 1/4 acre clody which I went over with planter. Afternoon ploughing got a good piece turned over + harrowed. There is now more than 2/3 of the land ready to drill when a few stones are picked off. Willie got home with grit all right brought dung forks \$1. Warm to day + I hope it will bring thunder soon.

12. TRINITY SUNDAY. [163-202]

13. MONDAY. [164-201]

Looked off some stones & started to drill
Dug some stones at noon then drilling till supper time.
Had a very high wind yesterday & today it was higher
Dust blowing of turnip fields in clouds. So it was disagreeable
working. Evening went a few rounds when it came on a severe thunderstorm
& hurricane sweeping down trees & fences by roots. We had to build fences
till dark to keep our down cattle out of crops & some at Con. There are 25 rods to build that

14. TUESDAY. [165-200]

Opened 14 drills more, there are 65 now
then drew out 2 loads dung before dinner. & 9 after which
manured 27 drills. Father & Annie spreading
Willie drew some rails to low parts of fences in the morning
Breezy day & cool.

15. WEDNESDAY. [166-199]

Drawing out manure 16 loads
and there are now 63 drills manured spread & ready
to cover in. Fine cool day but dry.
Mare has not colted yet 3 weeks past her time (or 11 months)
& 3 weeks today.

16. THURSDAY. [167-198]

Corpus Christi.

Started to cover in with one furrow rather
wide land but being along the side of Knoll I can turn
the furrow down on dung instead of up. Got the 63 drills
finished in forenoon which kept me busy. Afternoon sowing got them
finished a little after supper. Had slight shower as we were finishing
& looks like more & I hope it will come good night

17. FRIDAY. [168-197]

Opened 40 drills with one furrow the
first I have ever tried. They are pretty straight but I
have 2 drills in the middle a little wider than the rest
However that is of little moment when the speed is considered.
I had them opened at 10 o'clock, then put out 14 loads of manure
before night 5 1/2 drills to manure tomorrow. We had a splendid night's rain
last night which will do a great amount of good. as the ground was very dry

18. SATURDAY. [169-196]

Battle of Waterloo.

Put out 2 1/2 loads manure & got the
drills covered in by dinnertime. Afternoon sowing the 39 drills.
Evening harrowed potatoes and took off stumps & stones off
the piece that is to plough for turnips.

19. SUNDAY. 1 after Trinity. [170-195]

David Carr & I went to 12th Con. School
House and opened a Sabbath school. We had 14 scholars which is
encouraging, to say the least. We meet at 10 o'clock.
Afternoon at Church Mr. Carr preached from the text Now if
any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his
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apt to try again. Willie got home all right. Rather cool
tonight I suppose it will freeze.

22. WEDNESDAY. [173-192]

Put out 11 loads manure before 10 o'clock
which did 23 drills. Then at D. Gilchrist raising a barn
40x60 got finished at dusk all right. Father & Willie finished
spreading 23 drills. Mare has not colted yet & it will be a year
on Saturday first. I believe I will have to sit up tonight to keep
her company now & again. Uncle W. raises his building tomorrow so we will
not get turnips finished. 25 minutes to 12 o'clock Oh sweet sleep

23. THURSDAY. [174-191]

Drew out 8 loads manure which finished
the turnip manuring for a season. Afternoon at Uncle Williams
raising a building for hay & straw with stone stable under.
30x60 got it up well it is a first rate building & fitted to give
great accomodation. Father & Willie were spreading manure
Mare has not colted yet. It has been very cold all day & is
still cold

24. FRIDAY. [175-190]

St. John Baptist—Midsummer Day. Covered in 41 drills this forenoon &
afternoon sowed them ^(143 drills all together) so we have got the turnip sowing finished
for another year. We finished on the 8th July last year 14 days
earlier this year. Evening Willie & I cut bushes at creek side
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- I. Devotional Exercises 2 Min.
- II. Reading of the Minutes 2
- III. Are there any to be received as members? 5
- IV. Are there any to be proposed? 2
- V. Reports of Committees 1 Min
 - 1. Rooms Committee 1 Min.
 - 2. Visiting " 1 "
 - 3. Executive " 1 "
 - 4. Special " 1 "
- VI. Unfinished Business 10 to 15
- VII. New Business 10 to 15
- VIII. Study of Bible Subject 20 to 30
- IX. Receipts of the evening
- X. Calling the Roll 5
- XI. Closing Exercises 1. to 1.15

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JUNE & JULY.

27. MONDAY. [178-187]

Finished road work on Con. in forenoon
 Afternoon rained till 6 o'clock good heavy rain. We turned
 to the making of gate for roadside. Got it all dressed with
 plane & putt together so far. The braces & pins are not put
 on yet. The 2 year old heifer bought of R. Campbelle calved tonight
 in bush. We gave it a good suck & milked some from her & left them
 there.

28. TUESDAY. [179-186]

Drew all the logs out of creek below
 garden & made a large heap of them but they will take awhile
 to dry before they burn. Afternoon took home heifer & calf.
 & fixed gap in bush fence. Then draw off stone pile in garden
 & put the stones at creek banks to prevent water from fretting
 them away. also started to build a convenient place to dip up water
 No colt as yet.

29. WEDNESDAY. [180-185]

St. Peter & St. Paul.

At road work on townline we had four
 days so we got done tonight. Willie lost his thumb nail
 last night by a pinch from a stone but he got on to watch
 gaps & I had horses & waggon. At gate awhile in the evening
 a fine comet appeared unannounced on Thursday (23rd) of last week
 It is the first comet I ever saw & is said to be the comet of 1812.

30. THURSDAY. [181-184]

Fenced new watering place with poles which
 we took out of bush in spring. Shifted piece of fence raised stones
 and threw down old log shanty at the end of log house
 The frost & dry weather has so damaged the hay crop that hay
 is now selling at \$13 per ton. A week ago at \$18.

1. JULY—FRIDAY. [182-183]

Long Vacation Begins—Dominion Day—Bank Holiday.

Shifted fence from west side of old orchard to east
 side & built it 4 rails high. At 3 o'clock I left for Percut in
 John Smiths bush field under the auspices of Eddy, Marmion, & 12th
 Con Schools. They had a lengthy programme of which I heard 2. Uncle
 Haverson Aunt & Jack were down with buggy. Warm day.

2. SATURDAY [183-182]

Started off with Rosie this morning to
 Cochran's Bull a long walk & it was very warm, got back at 11 o'clock
 Afternoon taking off remainder of stones off garden & orchard got steps
 built down to creek so as to get water up the creek rises & falls
 Hamilton was niggering in fallow & the fire is into the place that was
 not burned & if the wind gets up tomorrow we may get trouble. Hope the best

3. SUNDAY. 3 after Trinity. [184-181]

Went to Sabbath school had a good attendance some
 being new scholars. Afternoon at our own Church Mr. Currier preached
 from the text Take unto you the whole armour of God that ye
 may be able to withstand on the evil day, and having done all to
 stand Eph. 6th & 13th & following verses.

JULY.—7TH MONTH.

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4. MONDAY. [185-180]
County Court Term begins.

Getting away old log shed gathering stones and stumps. An hour or two will make it ready for the plough now. Evening put on a load of hay for Owen Sound. This has been a very warm day

5. TUESDAY. [186-179]

At O.S. with load of hay got \$11 per ton had 1960 lbs \$10.75³ Bought \$10 of meal. Paid 1.40 Bell on cross cut saw. 2 harvest rakes 25¢ 2 hats \$1. Books & Stationery 1.25. Weighing 10¢ Got home all right No Colt yet.

6. WEDNESDAY. [187-178]

Took off some stones & rubbish & got started to plough. Got part in front of house ploughed. Evening at Uncle W. raising sheep house. Willi harrowed the piece I ploughed.

7. THURSDAY. [188-177]

Went to Thomsons as they want to hire did not bargain wants \$23 per month. Came on rain & rained till night. Got gate for road finished. & the other made for calves parks to let horses down to water. This rain has done a great amount of good turnips will soon be ready for hoe. Got back Mare foaled horse colt all right.

8. FRIDAY. [189-176]

Ploughing all day very warm got to turned over. Mare & colt doing well. The latter a little weak on pasterns but will soon straighten up. Father & Willi were hoeing potatoes they will soon need furring up. Turnips growing fast will need hoe in a day or two.

9. SATURDAY. [189-175]

Ploughing all day 2 or 3 hours will finish it now. The heaps of logs & brush are all burned but 2. One at creek side & small one on ploughing. Breezy day but very warm. Colt still doing well. Father & Willi finished potatoes & hoed turnips afternoon.

10. SUNDAY. 4 after Trinity. [191-174]

At our Sabbath School in the forenoon had 19 scholars. As the Sacrament was dispensed at Desboro today our service was in the evening at 6 o'clock. Mr. Currier had for his text But exhort one another daily least any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

11. MONDAY. [192-173]

Had Donald Sinclair with a Toronto Mower in the field blow pea field. He finished it after supper about 5 or 6 acres. We had A. Thomson (I will have him for a week at \$1. per day) mowing in stump field next ready. I was cutting fence corners forenoon after mowing along with Thomson. Father & Willa being turnips. Mowing by machine 40¢ per acre

12. TUESDAY. [193-172]

Looks like rain. Raking up among stumps at 10 started with horse rake in clear field. raked a stripe on 3 sides & got it cocked up when we got the tail of a thunder shower, which lasted 10 minutes. Put tops on cocks & mowing till night. The frost has so damaged the hay crop that in many places the timothy has not headed out at all. It where we had heavy hay last year we have nothing but leaves. However we will have plenty.

13. WEDNESDAY. [194-171]

Mowing forenoon got big piece gone over afternoon got trial of Jeger sulky rake that was lying at ready. Raked remainder of field with it; was through all supper time. Then took over a small load to Mr. Currie & one into log barn. The sulky rake wrought well. discharges easily but appears to be rather hurriedly got up. Price 28 in two payments.

14. THURSDAY. [195-170]
St. Swithin.

Finished field at Ready at 10 o'clock Caught horses & got in & off one load before dinner. Afternoon got in 3 loads 6 in all 3 in log barn 3 in stable loft. Colt was out running round with its mother tonight in the yard. It is straightening up pretty well. Fine day

15. FRIDAY. [196-169]

Willie & I put off load I then put braces to catches on handles of horse rake which will keep them fast now Raking up till dinner time, then drawing in 6 loads in stable loft. Had Jas Atchison helping afternoon. Very warm it took a pailfull of water to put off every load.

16. SATURDAY [197-168]

Slight thunder shower at 6 o'clock this morning. Took Mack to Saddles horse at Saugeen Road. ^{3 for insurance} Afternoon Raking hay Evening took it all into 2 loads ^{in stable} So we have 15 loads left about 12 acres. We have had 20 of 6 acres. But we will have enough to put as through the winter Paid John Thomson \$5. balance 50¢ 5 1/2 days work at 1. per day Quite a strong breeze tonight.

17. SUNDAY. 5 after Trinity. [198-167]

We were over at our Sabbath School I had 3 boys in my class today. Some of the scholars have scarlet fever just now Afternoon got our barn church Mr. Currie preached from the text Show art weighed in the balances and art found wanting. Daniel 5th & 27.

18. MONDAY. [199-166]

Built all the fences round the hay field that is cleared to let the cattle in. Got them in at noon. Afternoon cut thistles among potatoes then finished summer fallow. Cleaned up grit & moulded up potatoes got through at dark. George Morden is coming to mow tomorrow at 1 per day. Cool evening been very windy for some days back.

19. TUESDAY. [200-165]

Father & Willie went away to Lona Mill. G.M. & I ground scythe & started in newest field 8 acres new land. Cut up 9 cocks of it at night. Had cow in pound this morning but got her away before noon & I was by the Old Joe or McGrath. Bravo

20. WEDNESDAY. [201-164]

Thunderstorm this morning but little rain, it went away round south. Cleaned out driving shed floor & ground scythe. Mowed 3 or 4 swaths before dinner. Afternoon cocking up 13 cocks & mowed 6 swaths before sun set. G.Morden was in afternoon.

21. THURSDAY. [202-163]

Mowed till supper time got field finished but have some fence corners yet. Evening cocking up 11 cocks. It takes a great amount of raking to get a cock this year. There is nearly 3 acres of the field that we have not mowed it being so shortened by frost.

22. FRIDAY. [203-162]

Raking up wheat we cut yesterday, & mowed some in the bush where the fire burned. ^{It was under} It was the best grass we cut this year. Afternoon drew in 5 loads & unloaded in stable in barn for the night. Cloudy morning but cleared off before noon.

23. SATURDAY. [204-161]

St. James. Cut Orchard & fence corners then haying turnips till dinnertime. Afternoon raked & gathered hay out of bush & fence corners. Caught horses took load round to stable & un loaded it, then drew in 1/2 load out of bush & 1/2 out of orchard so we have got through haying for another year. 17 loads in stable left & 4 in log barn. 21 in all. G.Morden for 4 1/2 days \$4.50. Cost of haying \$12 probably. The hay is well saved this year better than last. We had 38 loads last year.

24. SUNDAY. [205-160]

6 after Trinity. Our Sabbath School had to be given up for a few weeks on account of a fever being prevalent in the district. Father was requested to conduct service at the funeral of J. Chalmer's daughter today at North Derby. I was along with team attended our own Church afternoon. Rev H Currie preached from the text. But rejoice inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings;

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JULY.

25. MONDAY. [206-159]

Fixed up log barn doors cleaned out pig pen for young pigs. Got 7 caught and put in. Then hoeing turnips. Some of the hard clay spots have lost the turnips by the loss continued drought. but some look remarkably well and on the whole they have a good appearance.

26. TUESDAY. [207-156]

Cool day, & cloudy with slight drizzly showers wind north west. There had been a slight shower during the night so the turnips were freshened up quite a bit. We were hoeing all day over 2 are finished 36 drills to hoe. Got little pigs all in pen to night. Cloudy still I hope it may rain. (Rest for the way)

27. WEDNESDAY. [208-157]

At O.S. meeting Annie. Had 3 passengers along & 2 pigs for W. Inglis Cascade Mills sold at \$1. per head — \$2. Annie arrived with 4 o'clock train all right. Expenses Boots & watch key \$2.15

Pleasant evening coming home.

28. THURSDAY. [209-156]

Hoeing turnips till 11 o'clock. Jas Corbett O.S. called with buggy and took me to see a Kirby Reaper working in barley field. He is agent would sell at 115. first payment 1883 with 3 succeeding payments. We have decided to hire a reaper for this year till we see what turns up. Afternoon got W. Olivers scuffled & ruffled turnips till sun down then took it home. Called on J. Mc Innis he will reap for us on Saturday.

29. FRIDAY. [210-155]

Ground cradle blade and cut 20 stooks of 10 sheaves fall wheat & road round barley, for reaper. Very warm

Evening had to take Sally to Cochran's started off at 7 & got back at 11. 8 miles. Rather long evening walk.

30. SATURDAY [211-154]

Had Toronto Reaper cutting barley. It did not make very good work.

Got it all stooked up by supper time. Heavy thunder shower passed round south ground here very dry

31. SUNDAY. 7 after Trinity. [212-153]

attended Ready Sabbath School & service afterwards our Pastor had for his text Isaiah 33rd 16th. He shall dwell on high his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks bread shall be given him, his waters shall be sure.

1. MONDAY. [213-152]

Took off stones & stumps off summer fallow and took down old root house.

Afternoon harrowing. Evening Ploughing. The sods are cut in square blocks rather rough looking. Very warm & plough hard to hold. Called on Mr Duncan we are to have his oxen & driver on Thursday if all well.

2. TUESDAY. [214-151]

Ploughing S. F. all day very very hot; burned heap of rads that came out of old root house evening. Father & Willi finished Mangolds & Carrots.

3. WEDNESDAY. [215-150]

Finished ploughing then harrowing till suppertime. Then made 3 hand spikes for tomorrow. Willi was pulling peas.

4. THURSDAY. [216-149]

Logging all day got up 24 or 25 heaps and over 1 1/2 acres. We had G. Duncan with Oxen G. Morden, & Neely Oliver's hired man. We intend the land we have logged for fall wheat if possible to get it in.

5. FRIDAY. [217-148]

Pulling peas till 4 o'clock then caught horses & put on the rack. Got supper & in one load barley when a squall preceding a thunderstorm came up but it brought no rain. Got in another load & left 16 stooks they only got a few drops of rain so we took it all in also the fall wheat.

6. SATURDAY. [218-147]

Morning the wind blowing from north east upper portion of clouds drifting in opposite direction. Thunder in south west which has now brought us an hours rain & is still raining. Began to clean out barn at 10 o'clock & was busy till 4. Put out old straw & chaff & down scaffold. Made it ready for crop. Willi had Prince at shop & shoes set. Mr Currie is taking him to Desboro to morrow as his mare lost the sight of one eye. It appeared to be pierced by some sharp ^{sharp} object.

7. SUNDAY. 8 after Trinity. [219-146]

Attended Sabbath School ready & service afterwards. Mr Currie had for his text There were giants in the earth in those days Genesis 6th. Notes Giants here meant desperadoes or men who fell with a blow. Giants of the present day The spirit of worldliness. It has been in the world from the beginning & age has not impaired its strength. 2nd The Giant of worldly pleasure the young its chief devotees. The Giant Intemperance one of the greatest. 3rd Church fairs & entertainments leasars for opening the purses of the people. Very questionable modes &c &c

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AUGUST.

8. MONDAY. [220-145]

Put off load of fall wheat then pulling peas. They will keep us pulling till noon on Wednesday I guess. Crop clean & evenly ripened but don't appear to be very richly podded. Peas small being so hurracally ripened. Cool day with signs of more rain. The 8th of August Well, Well & Well.

9. TUESDAY. [221-144]

Pulling peas all day except an hour in the morning when it was raining. Cleared up a fine day & every thing is dry again.

10. WEDNESDAY. [222-143]

Pulling peas forenoon afternoon took in four loads of peas & put off last one as I will need wagon to Mr. Duncan's thrashing tomorrow.

11. THURSDAY. [223-142]

Thrashing at John Duncan's barley & fall wheat. Had horses for machine. Willi was at J. McInnis he is coming to reap on Friday afternoon. He then finished pulling peas. Cool day & cloudy.

12. FRIDAY. [224-141]

Took gate for road side to Jackson's shop then we cut roads round fields for reaper. Reaper did not come & as we had James Atchison we went & cut part of the newland wheat I was scuffling turnips. Reaper came a little after supper & we got down a large piece of field across creek.

13. SATURDAY. [225-140]

Put our team on reaper they went well got wheat across creek & 3 acres beside barley. He then went to Bains & came back & cut the oats before 5 o'clock. We had a hand from John Duncan today so we got it all up in stook by night. Reaping clear land 40¢ per acre.

14. SUNDAY. ^{9 after Trinity.} [226-139]

Rev. Mr. Currie preached from Luke XIII-16. Christ the first to raise woman from the degradation entailed by being the first in the transgression. Elevated more in the birth of Christ than she lost in the fall. She a child of God - a daughter of Abraham. Lying under deep affliction. God never promised freedom from affliction nor from the bitter fruit of sin in this life. Jesus attributed her affliction to Satan. A wrong idea of the present age attributing to Providence the calamities & diseases of life which should be attributed to Satan. The case of Job. God permits evil but does not originate it. Permits & overrules it for his glory. She frequented God's house her heart was there. The blessing came in the use of means.

AUGUST.—8TH MONTH.

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15. MONDAY. [227-138]

Drawing in all day got peas
all in 13 loads in all. Ton top of Grahney.

Very pleasant day for working cool clear
& dry.

16. TUESDAY. [228-137]

Put off load of peas in the morning
then cut remainder of new land wheat.
Got through a little after dinner. Hitched up & drew it
in to other wheat field so as to let cattle into aftergrass
in the newest field where they will enjoy life for a time
Evening I fixed fence along the top of oats. Willid at shop with Brist

17. WEDNESDAY. [229-136]

Finished scuffling turnips then afternoon
harrowed summer fallow. It is very thick with sods but the
most of them are dead now. Father & Willi were at the
hog. We have had little dew for two mornings now still the
clouds are high with bright blue sky so it may be dry.

18. THURSDAY. [230-135]

Examined wheat across creek this morning
as we had no dew. Grain quite hard so we got hitched up.
Had in two loads before dinner & 4 after from across creek which finished
it. Evening got in 3 loads wheat from bride barley stubble left
32 stooks. & 36 of White Russian which grow on new land
Began to look like rain at 3 o'clock & is still cloudy but may not rain
tonight. Good night. old friend Dale no shells go to school

19. FRIDAY. [231-134]

Hoeing turnips second time all day got 49 done
& left 5 drills. Cloudy day but very

20. SATURDAY. [232-133]

Long Vacation ends.

Finished hoeing turnips then drew in
wheat, 3 loads so all our wheat is in now, & it did not
get a shower in stook. Afternoon took in the oats 3 loads 49
stooks. Built up parts of fence that was blown down to let
cattle & pigs into pea stubble. Evening cut round oats on knolls
for reaper on Monday

21. SUNDAY. 10 after Trinity. [233-132]

We were at our Sabbath School again today had 5 scholars
Had few on account of fever. Attended Divine service in our own Church
Mr. Currie preached from Ps. 61st & 2nd When my heart is overwhelmed lead me
to the rock that is higher than I. 1st Consider the circumstances which led to this prayer
2nd The refuge to which the prayer points A Rock The Rock Christ Jesus. 3rd Lead
me. Entire confidence implied.

22. MONDAY. [234-131]
Trinity Term begins.

Reaper did not come but will be tomorrow
Put off load of Oats hitched up & took home Mr Duncans
scuffler & brought down his horse rake. Willie raked
till night we then drew in rakings. He broke a tooth of the rake
& I was picking up in fallow afternoon Evening cut round Oats at
Barn then rakings August nearly gone

23. TUESDAY. [235-130]

Took home horse rake. Reaper came
& cut knolls & afternoon piece beside barn. Oats on knolls all
tid & 49 stalks set. Ann & Willie once round piece beside barn
Reaper will be back on Friday to cut across creek

24. WEDNESDAY. [236-129]

Got 16^{bu} 16 lb seed wheat from J. Duncan
at 1.20 per bu very new it being rusted & far from first quality
However it will do for seed & it was near by. I was then
ploughing S.F. Sowing it afternoon Evening ploughing. Ann & Willie
finished tying Oats & Father finished stooking.

25. THURSDAY. [237-128]

Ploughing all day Willie turned part of
dung heap. Father lit logheap we took out of creek at darks
so we had a scene fit for an artist. The tub grew trees on each
side the fence & all lighted up so brilliantly so cloud the 25th
of August 1881

26. FRIDAY. [238-127]

Finished S.F. faenow if it had some levelling
done in front of the house it would be ready for seed.
Cut swath for reaper before dinner & reaper had one round cut also
Looking like rain we hurried up & got it finished by 6 o'clock 106
stalks quick work. Rained a few drops but is still cloudy

27. SATURDAY. [239-126]

Rained a few drops this morning. Started to
cradle stumpy part of oat field at 9 o'clock cut a large piece & road
for reaper round clear piece Oats pretty good crop. Sold 1 lamb to Dolphin
today for 2.75. Last night wonderful to relate. Ready was the scene
of a great conflagration. Old Joe McFarlands hay tavern & frame shed
were destroyed by fire. No other damage was done (damage a good clearance)

28. SUNDAY. 11 after Trinity. [240-125]

Very warm day. We were at Sabbath School had 8 scholars.
Mr. Currier had today Isaiah 9th & 6th The Wonderful. In the first place
Wonderful in respect to his person United to a sinful & polluted nature & his own nature &
purity still maintained. In respect to the offices which he assumed Pro. V. & King
In his attributes. Wonderful in his works. Creation & Atonement the masterpiece
The work by which perishing man was redeemed. In his love fallen man his special love. In his suffering
the great humiliation of the cross. Lastly Wonderful in his triumphs.

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER. — 8TH & 9TH MONTHS. 1881.

29. MONDAY. [241-124]

Finished cutting Oats on stumpy land, and hour after dinner. Then we drew in the Oats on knolls 4 good loads they were cut on Tuesday last.

This has been a very hot day. I think the hottest we have had this year. John Bravender got sunstruck & had Doctor attending him. Bleeding with ice water applied to the head are some of the remedies used.

30. TUESDAY. [242-123]

Reaper came this morning about 8 o'clock, & finished and hour after dinner. This is a very good piece of oats the sheaves are sown very thickly we have not got them all put & securedly 4 stooked up but it may be dry tomorrow. This has been another hot day the earth as an oven & the beavers as brass. The turnips are weather & in great need of rain. Hope

31. WEDNESDAY. [243-122]

Finished tying up & had it all stooked except 3 lands by dinnertime. This morning we had a fine breeze which freshened up so that stooking was difficult. & was so fanned the fires through the country that we cannot see 2 a mile & so thick that our eyes are sore. The air is hot like the breath of a furnace even though in motion. We drew in Oats between barn & creek 4 loads. Father finished stooking. Uncle William was fighting fire to day Dolphin's swamp all on fire Crossway burning

1. SEPTEMBER—THURSDAY. [244-121]

Put off load then cradling oats across creek. About 9 o'clock we heard thunder the sun was soon clouded up & a few drops fell before dinner. Stooked up what we had cut & came home to dinner. Afternoon had a slight shower. Cleaned up barn floor & started to thrash Oats for horses. Supper time we had a very heavy shower water standing in pools. Had to go after cows tonight had another heavy shower the turnips look better already. & the fire will be fixed up. Cleaned up oats 5 or 6 bus. Rain, hope unaltered

2. FRIDAY. [245-120]

Started to plough pea stubble it is a little better of the rain (about 3 in in.) Ploughing till 10:30 o'clock when S. Mc Innis came with a new centre cut reaper made by Toronto Co. to let us see it working. Grain too wet so he will be back tomorrow. Afternoon ploughing got a big piece turned over.

3. SATURDAY. [246-119]

Trinity Term ends.

Ploughing till the grain was dry, then finished cradling across creek. Afternoon had reaper finishing oats. The new reaper works well knife driven on the old plan; takes by shaft. P. Coulter was in the field and offers the machine for \$95 with 3 years to pay first payment Jan. 1883. Finished tying by moon light.

4. SUNDAY. 12 after Trinity. [247-118]

At Sabbath School had 6 in class to day 144 together. Mr. Currie's text to day Romans 5 & 9 Adam a type of the Saviour 1st Adam came directly from Gods hand the same true of the Messiah. 2nd Adam perfect at the beginning made in the likeness of God. The Son was the express image of his Fathers person. 3rd The relation between Adam & his wife the same as between Christ & his Church. 4th Adam the federal head of the human race all sinned & fell on him Christ fulfilled the law for his people. In Adam all die. Every type falls short of its antitype. The first Adam of the earthly earth, the second the Lord from heaven. Paradise lost; Paradise regained. No choice in our relation to the one. Believe & live. We can choose another federal head.

5. MONDAY. [248-117]

Drawing in Cato three loads from across creek & four from stumpy part of other oat field. 7 loads today. Such a day as this we have never seen since we came to Canada with smoke from bush fires. The high wind today has driven them on, we can scarcely see Duncan's barns for smoke & our eyes are painful.

At 4 o'clock it was almost dark the sun being clouded with the dense smoke. Many have been fighting fire to day we have no doubt. No fire about steady.

6. TUESDAY. [249-118]

Drawing in all day 7 loads off 3 acres, big acres of course. but it was a good crop. The wind was not quite so high today, nor the smoke so dense. We expected to hear of yesterday 4.20 we have. Aunt Mary's barn was burned & the contents. They were thrashing in the barn forenoon had to take machine away just in time for it caught fire a few minutes after from sparks. The swamp hole by was burning furiously. Barn insured for \$250. Contents at \$500. I left for there tonight on horseback.

7. WEDNESDAY. [250-119]

At Uncle Jeverson's. what a desolation the fire has made their fences thrown down & partly burned. The swamp nearly all burned down. Aunt Mary's place looks here nothing but ashes for a full barn. The house is lonely without it but it is well that it was saved. Today the fire is quiter being in a sense burned out. I helped to raise a new crib for well (as the are to dig for it) before I left. Plenty of water a comfort & necessity in this present state. The contents of barn were 4000 lbs. They got 2 cattle killed on Monday by falling tree.

8. THURSDAY. [251-114]

Ploughing pea rubble all day cooler today. Ground hard and flies bad on horses. Can any implement be drawn.

Willie had more shod. Got the scraper here from Mc Kee's gate & started to level S. F. in front of house.

I have got a severe cold by some cause or other

9. FRIDAY. [252-113]

Ploughing forenoon threw off load then drawing in afternoon from various creeks & good loads. So the Harvest of 1881 is in the barn. Seed time & harvest shall not cease. We have had a very pleasant harvest dry weather & the labour rendered lighter by the reaper we have succeeded well without a hired man. On the whole we have a very good crop. Cost of reaping 22 acres \$9.50

10. SATURDAY. [253-112]

Ploughing all day a day will finish it now. I don't remember of the flies ever being so bad on the horses as this afternoon but a black fly. Cloudy with a stiff breeze from the south. Willie & Father were picking up in fallow. I wonder if we will get in wheat in time in new land

11. SUNDAY. [254-111] 13 after Trinity.

We were at our S. S. today again had 12 scholars. 4 in my class. Mr Currie had for his text to day II Kings 5th 1st to 14th Naaman the leper. Learn 1st Might & position do not exempt us from the ills of life. 2nd Great & important events often rise from trivial causes. 3rd The importance of the religious training of children. 4th True religion will make the possessor a blessing where ever his lot may be cast. 5th We should not despise information from inferiors. 6th Knowledge to be useful must be reduced to practice. Be ye doers of the Word & not hearers only.